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Just A 'Prank Call'

TO: THE PARENTS OF ALL SMALL CHILDREN IN APPOMATTOX COUNTY –

Last Saturday at lunchtime, while all three vehicles of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad were out on calls, a very small child called the rescue squad number and stated that someone was hurt. When the gentleman asked for further information the child hung up. Twenty seconds later the child called again. The receiver begged the child to stay on and give information, but the child hung up again.

The gentleman became so frightened he called the Rescue Squad Base Station and they all sat and prayed for further information.

It is since surmised that this was a prank call.

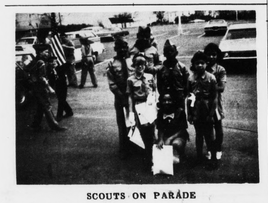
The Rescue Squad asks that each parent sit down with your child and explain the seriousness of this type of amusement.

The squad realizes that a child that young would think its just a fun thing and not realize the anxiety they cause.

So, please explain to your children that this is not a game but the serious business of life and death.

Transcontinental Gas Co. takes these calls as a favor to Appomattox County and this kindness should not be abused.

Ray Noble, President,
Appomattox County Rescue Squad



SCOUTS ON PARADE

Brownies of Troops 308 and 833; Boy Scouts of Troop 546; Cub Scouts of Pack 546; Junior Girl Scouts of Troops 322 and 336 were all represented Saturday in the Triangle Plaza doing their bit for S O A R Day.

BIRTHDAYS

Richard Jones	May 1
Angela Ferguson	May 4
Annie Roach	May 5
Donald Ferguson	May 6
Fred Martin	May 6
Estelle Roach	May 7
Kermit Paulette	May 9
Rawton Layne	May 10
Virginia Elder	May 10
Frank Roy Ranson	May 14
William Ranson	May 14
Coley Ramsey	May 15
Edward Almond	May 15
Harry Almond	May 15
Nellie Roach	May 15
Emma Nash	May 15
Sandra McIntosh	May 16
Relia Hinman	May 16
Mae Foster	May 21
Henry Richardson	May 21
Glenn McIntosh	May 22
Wayne Price	May 22
Robert Maxwell	May 23
G. C. Maxwell, Jr.	May 23
Ruth Caldwell	May 26
Calvin Harris	May 28
Frank Nash	May 30
Sally Evans	May 31

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The Pastor Speaks

In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus spoke about treasures. He warned about laying up treasures on earth where moths destroy, where things rust out, and where robbers can steal. Let us consider these three admonitions and apply them to life.

(1) Avoid things moths can destroy. In the East a man's wealth consisted in clothing. Remember Gehazi wanted two changes of garments as a price for curing Naaman of leprosy. The Master is giving a warning that there can be no permanence in a lot of clothing because moths could destroy them.

(2) Avoid things that rust can destroy. Actually this word "rust" means "eating away." It is a picture of worms or rats eating stored grain. A man may have a barn full of grain and still be unhappy. Happiness is dependent on more than things we own.

(3) Avoid things that thieves can steal. The word "break through" gives the picture of a typical Palestinian house made of mud blocks. It would be an easy matter for one to dig into a house such as this. A robber could carry away the possessions of the owner. There was no permanence in things that could be easily stolen.

Jesus is warning about pleasures that wear out like a suit of clothing; He is warning about pleasures that erode away and lose their attractiveness with the passing of years; He warns about wealth as the goal of life.

Deeds of kindness become treasures in Heaven. We must be careful and not put our faith in things that perish. If our sense of value is on the material things of life, then we are earth-bound. They perish and we go down with them. If our goal is on things above, then we know that this world is not the end, but is a preparation ground for a better and eternal life.

J. J. Bowman, Interim Pastor
Liberty Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va. 24522

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Lesson for May 7, 1972

Background Scripture: Luke 22: 24-27; Hebrews 13:1-3; James 1:27; 2:14-17
Devotional Reading: Matthew 25:31-40

What would you do if someone gave you a million dollars?

That was the question posed several years ago by a television program, 'The Millionaire,' It was a series of stories revolving around the theme of a millionaire who give away from time to time a million dollars in order to see what the recipients would do with it. The program probably stimulated a lot of people to think what they would do if they were to receive such a sum.

Don't Wait!

Some people like to think of how generous they would be if they were to suddenly inherit a large sum of money. They envision themselves as great philanthropists and benefactors. William Law once wrote of a "Clemens" who was given to such flights of generous fancy. Clemens has his head full of imaginary piety. He is often proposing to himself what he would do if he had a great estate. He would outdo all charitable men that are gone before him . . . This sound noble enough, but then Law goes on to say: Now Clemen has at present a moderate estate, which he spends upon himself . . . He might live upon one-third of his fortune and make the rest the support of the poor; but he does nothing of all this that is in his power, but pleases himself with what he would do if his power was greater.

A Question Of Comfort

Often when we are confronted by some need, we beg off, saying, "I'm sorry, I wish I could help, but I can't." We imply that God has given us so little that we have nothing to spare. That's almost a blasphemy against God who has given most of us so much. What we probably mean is: "I can't comfortably do it!"

"Hello, Joe," says Charlie, "How's my best friend?" Joe does not reply. "Joe," says a puzzled Charlie, "aren't you going to speak to me after all I've done for you?" Silence. "Two years ago when you were broke," says Charlie, "and you were in the hospital, who helped you pay the bill?" "You did," says Joe. "And a year ago when you were out of work, who bought your groceries?" "You did," says Joe. "And six months ago when we were on vacation, who saved your life?" "You did, Charlie," says Joe, "but tell me, Charlie: what have you done for me in the last three months?"

The Christian whose usual response to human need is, "I can't," is like thankless Joe; no matter how much God gives him, it never seems to be enough to share.

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FRIDAY MARKS LULU'S BIRTHDAY

A little girl, Lucretia (Lula) Virginia McLean, ... doll behind in the McLean parlor on April 9, 18... doll, called the "Silent Witness", was there while ... Robert E. Lee and Gen. U. S. Grant discussed terms ... render which ended the War Between the States. Mrs. Harvey (above) recreated the "Silent Witness" doll ... original which is still in New York. In addition, Mrs. ... has made a "Lulu" doll, a "Mammy" doll and a ... semble one of little Lulu's playmates. Friday, May ... is the birthday of Lulu McLean who in 1879 married ... E. Blackwell. The Blackwells had two children, Wini... ter Blackwell and Frances Grayson Blackwell. Lulu ... 1886 and is buried in the McLean plot at Alexan... Mrs. Harvey is seated in front of a very old fireplace ... Harvey home, once a stage stop on the Richmond-Lynch... ea road. This fireplace was reproduced in Williamsburg for the Governor's mansion.

MRS. MARTIN TO PRESIDE AT HEALTH MEETING

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State Women's Committee of the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Forum which will adjourn at 12:30 p. m.

HIX APPOINTED

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herd on DHIA test in Appomattox County for 1971. A community leader as well, John Hix has served as president of the Appomattox County Farm Bureau and as director of the local dairy marketing cooperative. He presently serves as a deacon in the Elon Baptist Church.

Hix is married to the former Florence Oliver of Prospect. They have four children: Janet, 17; David, 14; Tom, 13; and Jim, 7.

DISCIPLINE IS DISCUSSED

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The next conference will be held in the fall of 1972. It is hoped that the new Council will benefit the four local P.T.A.'s by bringing together the combined efforts of the leaders, officers and parents of the local P.T.A. to meet the challenges that face us today.

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